# Germany Calls Boys of 16 to Colors to Bolster Up Failing Army Strength

# VF PROVES

Germany has mustered a portion of the class of 1920-lads of sixteen years-official war office reports received today stated.

Military critics, while they have known that Germany was about at the end of her man power, have refused to believe that sixteen-year-old boys were being prepared for the trenches. The reports, therefore, are regarded with the greatest signifi-

Sent to East Front.

Hindenburg's frantic efforts to strengthen the western front, either for an impending drive against Calais and Paris, or in anticipation of an allied offensive, has depleted the divisions on the eastern front, and it

be sent there for seasoning, should assparate peace negotiations with the Russian formula of peace without annexations fail.

Military men also believe that Hindenburg will encounter great difficulty in the mobilization of the 1920 with German Foreign Minister Von

just been issued summoning the male gopulation of the Flemish coast for military labor.

A dispatch from the frontier states

persons are from thirteen to sixty

AMUSEMET'TS



CRANDALL'SAVE GRAND.

PLAZA 534 Bth St. N. W.
PLAZA TODAY—HAROLD LOCKWOOD
In "THE AVENGING TRAIL." TOMOR
ERW—FRANCIS X. BUSHMAN and BEVERLY BAYNE IN "RED, WHITE, AND

LEADER SOT DEL ST. N. W.
NOW PLAYING-THED
BARA IN "CAMPILLE." Extra-Fox St

HOME 1230 C Street Northeast WELL in "THE GOOD-FOR-NOTHING TODAY AT 6:30 P.M.

STRAND TODAY AND TOMORROW-DIECE, "THE PRICE OF A GOOD TIME. GARDEN TODAY AND TOMORROW-

CRANDALL'S Kniekerhocker, TODAY—ELSIE PERGUSON IN "ROSE THE WORLD." TOMORROW—FLOREN REED IN "TODAY."

CRANDALL'S Today and Tomor-BOW-ALICE BRADY IN "WOMAN AND WIFE."

CRANDALL'S MAYOR. 14th & Col. Rd RY WORE In "AN AMERICAN WIDOW." TOMORROW—CHARLES RAY IN "HIS MOTHER'S BOY."

LOEW'S COULMBIA orn., Aft., 19c, 19c, Nights, 19c, 18c, 28c Ceptinuous 16:30 A. M. to 11 P. M. All. Tetts WEEK MARY PICKFORD

In "Ste.la Maris"

LYCEUM Penna Ave YANKEE DOODLE GIRLS In "A NIGHT OUT" 24 -@irls-@irls-@irls- 24 BURLESQUE

POLI'S Matineer Thur, and Sat, 25a, 50c POLI MINICAL PLAYERS A KNIGHT FOR A DAY Prices, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 Next Week-"A Hawaiian Polite."

GAYETY Burlesque De Luxe BARNEY GERARD'S Follies of the Day

> STRAND TOWORROW "The Price of a Good Time" Featuring Mildred Harris and Kenneth Harlan

GARDEN TOMORROW MAR MURRAY In "FACE VALUE"

AUSTRIAN CABINET HANDS EMPEROR RESIGNATION

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 8 .- The resgnation of the Austrian cabinet has been tendered to Emperor Carl, according to Vienna dispatches here

The dispatches were dated Febru-

Austrian Premier von Seydler handed the resignation to the head of the dual monarchy.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 6 .- (Delayed) -increasing German internal dissatisfaction is responsible for the change in tone of the Russian delegates at the Brest-Litovsk peace conference. Hope is daily strengthening the Russians. There is no retreat from their is believed that the 1920 class may original position and they may debe sent there for seasoning, should mand that the central powers apply the

calty in the mobilization of the 1920 class, both because of the opposition it is bound to meet from the civilian population and the effect it will have on the morale of the regular troops at the front.

Intermingting of the new conscripts with the fighters on the west front, who have been kept in ignorance of conditions back home, might have a decidedly disastrous effect.

with German Foreign Minister Von Kuchlmann insisting on the German to the German the declared there could be nothing more dangerous than a compromise. Just as the Russians have burned their bridges behind them, just so must they resist each concession demanded of the Russian revolution, the delegates said. The Russian conferees must agree to a separate peace only if no other is possible, but only then it such a peace is based on no an-AMSTERDAM, Feb. 8.—The labor if such a peace is based on no annexations and the policy of salf-desertions that an imperial order has ent attitude. There will be that kind that he will be that kind the sale of t just been issued summoning the male gopulation of the Figure coast for military labor.

A dispatch from the frontier states that the age limits of the conscripted dersons are from thirteen to sixty

"we must continue our policy of deep-sping the German revolution." ening the German revolution."

Referring to Foreign Minister Trotsky's reference in his exclusive interview with the United Press to an elastic policy, the Novayaxishiin (newspaper) asked whether Russia should permit German annexations in the west, even if they were rejected in the east. The Bolsheviki reply to this that if the Germans are able to annex territory on the western front it is the allies' fault, as they falled it is the allies' fault, as they failed to join the Brest-Litovak conferences.

# ITALIAN CITIES AGAIN

LONDON, Feb. 8 .- An official re ort from Italian headquarters reports dashes between patrols at points beween the Brenta and the Adige. Hostile planes attacked Calliano Bassano, Mestre, and Treviso. The

official report says; "One of our airships last night reached the aviation grounds at St. Giacoma di Vaglia, southeast of Vit-torio, dropping a ton of high explo-

ROME, Feb. 8.—Enemy bombing planes made unsuccessful attempts to rop bombs on the Italian aviatio grounds. They were driven back by stituent assembly. His acceptance of An Italian machine yesterday reached the Austrian aviation grounds sensation. at St. Giacoma di Vaglia, south of Vittorio, dropping a ton of high ex-

AMUSEMENTS

NATIONAL - THIS WEEK ALEXANDRA CARLISLE THE COUNTRY COUSIN Concert Sunday Eve., 8:15,

February 10, 1918 MARIE RAPPOLD

Assisted by Irma Seydel, Violinis Prices 420, \$7.60, \$1.50, \$1.50, \$50; Tickets on Sale Now at Knabe Warerooms 122 G St. N. W. Near 18th 81.

MACBETH BREFSKIN Violinist

NATIONAL THEATER THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 4:50. Frices, \$2.50, \$2, \$1.50, \$1. Tickets now on sale it Mrs. Greene's office in Droop's, 13th and G. T EDDY BROWN

Destined To Be One of the Two or Three Greatest Violinitata of the World, Sale of Seats Opens morrow Morning at Mrs. Greene's Office, i Droop's, 12th and G sts., for

LMA GLUCK NATIONAL THEATER THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 4:30

B. F. KEITH'S "HIS BEST"-Star ANNUAL SONG REVUE LeROY, TALMA & BOSCO "The Slaves of Mystery."

Next Week-Julian Eltinge.

First Picture of Captain Van Schaick



In this photograph, taken in Belgium, of high American Red Cross officials, the Rev. John Van Schaick, who is pastor of the Church of Our Father, in this city, is shown second from the left.

He has been at the front for many months and is due to return Dr. Van Schaick, when at home, is one of the most active and public-spirited citizens of the Capital. In addition to the duties of

new Pan-Soviet of 300 members. It

includes 160 Bolsheviki, 125 Social

Revolutionaries of the Left, and the

remainder Social Revolutionaries of

Included among the latter is Vic-

tor Tchernoff, president of the Con-

Bolsbeviki Entrenched.

All factions accepted it as meaning

the Social Revolutianaries of the

n boring into the present govern-

**AMUSEMENTS** 

PROCLAMATION.

BELASCO

**NEXT SUNDAY NIGHT** 

AND ALL WEEK, 1 MATS., WED.

"OVER THE TOP,"

THE SHUBERT MUSICAL PRODUCTION NOW PLAYING THIS THEATER WITH ED. WYNN, JUSTINE JOHN-

ED. WYNN, JUSTINE JOHNSTONE, CRAIG CAMPBELL,
LAURIE & BRONSON
AND PIFTY OTHERS, THE MAN.
AGEMENT TAKES PLEASURE IN
ANNOUNCING THAT THIS ATTRACTION WILL REMAIN IN
WASBINGTON NEXT WEEK,
COMMENCING ON SUNIAV
NIGHT, THE DEMAND FOR
SEATS HAS BEEN UNPRECEDENTED, THEREFORE, AR
RANGEMENTS HAD TO BE
MADE TO EXTEND THE EX.
GAGEMENT ANOTHER WEEK.

NEWMAN Traveltalks
Color biews
Mot on Pictures

F DANCING-TONIGHT

PYTHIAN TEMPLE, 1012 9TH ST. N. W., SPECIAL MUSIC BY NEW YORK CON-SERVATORY ORCHESTRA. Admirston, I, including Lady and Gentleman. Charge for Ladles Accompanied by

. WEST

INGTON, ATTENTION: OWING TO THE GREAT SUCCESS OF

GOOD CITIZENS OF WASH-

nt. This confirms a recent predic-

Right, convinced it is impossible to

the Right.

the School Board, active in the affair's of the Monday Evening Club, prominent in the Y. M. C. A., and indefatigable in his work among the poor and unfortunate in the city's penal institutions.

Others in the photograph are: Major Alex Lambert, of New York, on the extreme left; Capt. Ernest Corn, chief doctor of the American Red Cross, and Commander Le Duc, of the Belgian army, on the

### his pastorate of the only Universalist church here, he is a member of 2,139,554 In U. S. BOLSHEVIK RULE'S Armed Force, Declares Congressman Caldwell

PORT WASHINGTON, L. I., Feb. 8.—America has 2,139,554 men under arms, according to figures announced here by Charles Pope Caldwell, of the Second district, of Queens, at the annual meeting of the Port Washington Business Men's Association.
According to Representative
Caldwell, the Government's armed
strength is divided as follows: PETROGRAD, Feb. 2 (delayed) .-That the Belshevik government is permanent was the interpretation placed today upon the formation of a

Engineers corps, 119,476. ordnance corps, 20,800. Signal corps, 151,747. Quartermaster's corps, 140,000.

Medical corps, 15,000 officers. Medical corps, 7,605 enlisted Veterinarian's corps, 16,000.

Staff, 52,129. Staff officers, 63.851. Enlisted men, 1.479,259. Called under the draft and due

to report, 74,706. Of that number, the speaker asserted, 605,640 were drafted men and the remainder volunteers.

junctions at Bielgorod, Charkoff, Looverthrow the Bolsheviki, have determined to concentrate their efforts zovay, and Alexandrovik were cap

n in these dispatches. The Nash Veek, leading paper of the by clearing the nearby country of Cadet party, admits the Bolsheviki are near victory in Russia. It outlines the Bolshevik strategy whereby the Don Cossacks and Ukrainian uprisings were separated. The railway Ukranians. General Verkhovsky, secretary of

war under the Kerensky regime, was arrested yesterday on charges of starting a counter-revolution. Latest advices received in London were that Kleff had been retaken by the Ukrainians.

### Over the Top--Mat. Today **AUSTRIA-HUNGARY HOPES** TO CONCLUDE PEACE WITH UKRAINIANS NEXT WEEK

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 8.-Austria-Hungary expects to conclude peace with Ukrainia before the middle of next week, according to information received today from a German source. (The foregoing dispatch made no mention of the negotiations between

man delegates which have been pro-ceeding at Brest-Litovak.)
Atarming rumors are coming out of Petrograd. One report was that a reign of terror exists there, and that the foreign missions have been warned to leave. The Bolshevik regime is again strengthening the Petrograd garrison and has announced that army head-

marters will be moved there from Mohiley.

German soldiers are said to be assisting the Finnish white guard in its struggle against the red guard

(the Bolshevik forces.)
This has led to the belief that the German and Finnish governments have entered into some kind of agreement, by which peaceful trade rela-tions will be restored if the white guard, with the assistance of the Sun. at 3 R INDIES
POPULAR PRICES, 25c, 50c, 75c, 81.
NOTE—There will be no lecture Sunday night. All course tickets honored Sunday afternoon. Jermans, is able to drive the Bol-Turkey is reported to have effected a tentative agreement with the Uk-

raintans, and steamships are now said to be plying on the Black Sea be-tween Odessa and Constantinople.

LOCAL MENTION. Reliable Dentistry, Years of Experience, thousands of satisfied patients. Dr. Vaughan's, 307 7th St. N. W.

# SAUSAGE AND RIFLE SWITCHMEN PLEAD

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN

Germany sausage.

The patrol, which, in the words of a doughboy, "paid a quiet visit to the German front trenches and found nobody at home," was composed of a body at home," was composed of a constantly disregarded them, with the when he joined the United States from Los Angeles, and two privates. Trip Just Before Dawn.

trench just "as easy as though they were sliding into bed." The lieutenant affit the corporal went ahead recennoitering. They heard German voices a considerable distance back and the sound of laughter, as if some overe telling a good story. one were telling a good story.

The corporal found a rifle leaning against a trench, which he carried back with him as his first souvenir.

tions during the past few days, since our artillery has begun to pay special attention of their sniping posts. There were a few aeroplanes up Thursday. The weather is now mild. On Thursday American artillery shelled and probably inflicted severe casualties upon two battalions of German infantry that had been ob-served upon a wooded road behind the German front.

The American shells started a large fire in the German rear.

The artitlery firing has been lively on both sides. The Americans bemthe Bolshevik envoys and the Ger barded the German trenches, and the roads behind them while the Germans replied with a heavy fire directed against the American batteries of "seventy-fives." Thereupon the Amercan gunners turned loose with their "one-fifty-fives," shelling the Ger-man batteries of "seventy-sevens."

### RAW U. S. FLYERS AID FRENCH TO DEFEAT GERMAN ATTACKERS

PARIS, Feb. 8 .- An official report today from American headquarters in France tells of a battle in the clouds Between allier airmen and German planes in which two American flier-took a leading part. One of the Americans brought down his firs German machine, but the other failed to get his man.

High praise for the two young

Pleading for an eight-hour working FRANCE, Feb. 8 .- An American pa- day for railroad switchmen, for time trol entered a front line German and a half for overtime, S. E. Heber-trench Thursday morning but found ling, president of the Switchmen's it deserted. The doughboys scarched the trench and when they returned to their own position their booty consisted of a rifle and some "made in Germany" sausage.

Union, appeared before the Railway Wage Commission today. He charged that the railroads were not observing the spirit of the cight-hour law, and that switchmen were being worktioned the court to change his name into the English version, Stanton. He says it would save him a let of em-barrassment if his name were Ameri-

constantly disregarded them, with the Adamson law placing a penalty only army. after sixteen hours. He also request-Trip Just Before Dawn.

The four Americans slipped across
"No Man's Land" just before dawn of an eight-hour work day, be grantthe enemy's barbed wire, which had been spotted the previous night.

The Americans slid into the enemy's in October, 1917. In addition to this trench just "as a contract of the same as the demand made on the railroads by switchmen in October, 1917. In addition to this and made their way through a gap in ed them. He explained that this rethe time and a half for overtime is

Heberling said that the switchmen's union was composed of 10,700 men in he yard service of the railroads, and included all employes of this ser-

"We have been denied the right," he said, "by the railway managers to represent switch tenders, but that restriction does not apply to us here There has been a noticeable slack-ening of the Germans' sniping opera Manards of the work are such that our insurance rates have to be higher than those of other railway or ganizations."

> PAVENSTED IS INTERNED. CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Feb. 8. Adolph Pavanuted a New York banker who served as a go-between for For-mer Ambassador von Bernstorff and Bolo Pashe, now on trial in Paris for reason, has been interned at Fort Oglethorpe, near here. ADVERTISEMENT

### WOMEN'S WOES

Washington Women Are Finding Re lief at Last. It does seem that women

It does seem that women have more than a fair share of the aches and pains that afflict humanity; they thust "keep up," must attend to duties in spite of constantly aching backs, or headaches, dizzy spells, bearing-down pains; they must stoop over, when to stoop means torture. They must walk and bend and work with racking pains and many aches from kidney ills. Keeping the kidneys well has spared thousands of women much misery. Read of a remedy for kidneys only that is endorsed by people out the stoop women much misery.

neys only that is endorsed by people rou know.

Mrs. Ella Lord, 1412 Eighth St. N. W., Washington, says: "From my experience with Doan's Kidney Pilis, I can recommend them highly to anyone. I suffered from backache and ther symptoms of kidney trouble until I used Doan's Kidney Pills, They restered my kidneys to a normal condition and removed the backaches."

LANTING EFFECT.

High praise for the two young Americans, who are just out of a training school, was given by the French filers.

The French squadron, accompanied by the two Americans, was attacked by eight German planes, The Americans each picked out a machine and within a few minutes one of them felled his target to the earth.

ILASTING EFFECT.

Three years later Mrs. Lord said: The cure Donn's Kidney Pills made for me has proven to be permanent. This medicine can be depended upon to cure kidney trouble.

Price Ge. at all dealers. Don't imply ask for a kidney remedy get Donn's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Lord had. Foster Milburn Co., Mfgrs., Buffalo. N. Y.

# INQUIRY INTO R. R. TAKE COMMANDER U.S. COM

Another sensational chapter in Shelk of Mecca, have completely de the amazing history of francied railcated a Turkish army operating the amazing successful ranked rational forms of the Dead Sea, official dis-Congress today by the Interstate In a sanguinary battle, which began Commerce Commission. It recited January 30, the Arab tribesmen wir the result of the investigation made tually annihilated the entire Turkish by that body into the Wabash Pitts-

patches received today state.

HOSTILE GUNS ACTIVE

GERMAN WAR CHIEFS

IN BELGIUM PREPARE

LONDON, Feb. 8.—Fresh evidence that Germany is continuing prepara-tions for a great blow on the western front was received from Amsterdam

Advices from that source said that

STASSINOPULOS ASKS

LAST NIGHT, SAYS HAIG

January 30, the Arab tribesmen virtually annihilated the entire Turkish force, capturing many prisoners, including the Turkish commander inchief and his staff, the report states. Eighteen machine guns, two mountain guns, and a large amount of booty fell into the hands of the victors.

The engagement, according to the report made to General Allandy, of the British expeditionary force in Paiestine, began at Kerek, near the southeastern extremity of the Dead Sea. The Turks, hadly beaten, left many prisoners, seven machine guns one mountain gun, and a large quantity of booty, retiring in disorder.

Pursuing Arabs overtook the detachments near Tafile, where the remaining forces were cut to piecess.

In the Jerusalem sector, General Allendy reports that railway communication has been opened up with the Jerusalem railhead, which virtually assures the British line of communication in their drive across the Jordan to cut the Hejar railroad. If this campalge, which military crities predict is Allendy's plan of strategy, is successful, the Turk communication line with Medina will be broken.

HOSTILE GUNS ACTIVE

The commission finds that the par value of the first mortgage bonds alone exceeded by approximately \$5... 000,000 the actual amount of cash which was expended on the entire

property.

"This terminal was not only over-capitalized," continues the report, "but the percentage of its sunded debt, \$3.04 per cent to the total capital obligations was unusually high.

"Against an actual cash twestment the read and contonent and seed." LONDON, Feb. 8.—Hostile enemy artillerying during the night in the neighborhood of Flesquieres was re-ported by Field Marshal Haig today. in the road and equipment and secu-tion of approximately \$25,000,000 there was quintainding when the road went into the hands of the receivers more FOR GREAT OFFENSIVE than \$61,000,000 in securities."

## ST. LOUIS CAR MEN WIN

Advices from that source said that Field Marshal von Hindenburg, the German chief of staff, and his chief aide, General Ludendorff, have established their headquarters in Belgium.

The new western headquarters are said to be "within easy reach of Brussels," although the exact location was not given.

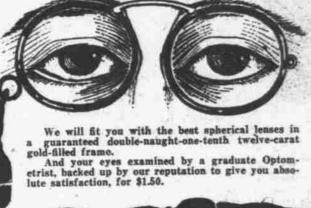
The removal of the headquarters of the two leading chiefs of the German army to a point behind the western front is accepted in military circlen as having significance.

The weather on the western front has turned warm, although fog frequently interferes with the artillery quently interferes with the artillery partment. The weather on the western front has turned warm, although for frequently interferes with the artillery activity, which is becoming much heavier.

EMMA GOLDMAN TO SEW. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. Feb. 8.—
Emma Goldman, accompanied by Deputy United States Marshal John L.
Whalen, has rrived at the Missouri
penitentiary re from New York to
complete her two-year prison sentence
for trying to obstruct the selective
service law. She will be assigned to
the work of making clothing for the
inmates of the prison. English means Elias Stanton, according to Stassinopulos, who today peti-

Soda Fountains Serve It Iron helps a person's appetite, nervea blood and complexion. Drives out the uric acid. It builds you up Many fountains without extra charge gladly put a drop or two in milk or

We Are Continuing Our Re-Organization Sale For a very limited time—in order to reduce our stock for re-drganization due to the head of the firm of the BLOCK OPTICAL CO., 727 7th St. N. W., entering the military service, we offer you Glasses at Special Bargain Prices



Remember, this is posi-tively at least a \$3.50 value, nd some worth even more.

Now Is Your Opportunity to Have Your Eyes Examined and Get a Pair of Glasses at a Remarkably Low Price.

We do our own lens grinding in your presence. Our stock is large you are assured of immediate delivery. Especially low prices on ground and bifocal lenses. We have every style frame or mounting that you may desire. Let us duplicate your broken lenses. We do not need the Prescrip-



Open Evenings During This Sale Until 8 P. M. Saturdays 10:30 P. M. Look for the optical store with the grinding machine in the window,